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#### **VIA EMAIL & HAND DELIVERY**

Mr. David Butler
Hearing Examiner
Public Service Commission of South Carolina
101 Executive Center Drive
Columbia, SC 29210

Re:

Convergia, Inc.

Docket No. 2004-328-C Our File No. 03493-0001

Dear Mr. Butler:

Enclosed please find the Motion to Hold the Hearing on Convergia's application scheduled for November 7, 2005, at 10:00 a.m. be held by Videoconference. Please stamp the extra copy of the motion provided as proof of filing and return it with our courier. If you have any questions, please have someone on your staff contact me.

Very truly yours,

ROBINSON, McFADDEN & MOORE, P.C.

Bonnie D. Shealy

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Mr. Charles Terreni, (via hand delivery)

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Mr. Petar Blagojevic (via email) Mr. Maximo Aybar (via email)

### BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

In the Matter of the Application of	)	
Convergia, Inc. for a Certificate	)	
of Public Convenience and Necessity	) Docket No.	2004-328-C
to Provide Intrastate Resold Telecommunications	)	
and Data Services and for Alternative	)	-8-4
Regulation of Its Business Service Offerings	)	

### MOTION TO HOLD HEARING BY VIDEOCONFERENCE

Pursuant to S.C. Code Section 58-9-1020 and the other applicable rules of the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission"), the Applicant Convergia, Inc. ("Convergia") respectfully requests that the Hearing Examiner allow the hearing currently scheduled for Monday, November 7, 2005, at 10:00 a.m. at the offices of the Commission be held at Garber Reporting Service, 1226 Pickens St., Columbia, South Carolina 29201. Convergia further requests that the Hearing Examiner allow the company's witnesses, Petar Blagojevic and Maximo Aybar, to appear by videoconference. In support of this motion, Convergia respectfully states the following:

- 1. The Applicant's offices are located in Pointe Claire, Quebec, Canada.
- 2. Applicant filed the testimony of Petar Blagojevic and Maximo Aybar in support of its application.
- 3. Since the witnesses are located in Canada it would be an economic hardship for Mr. Blagojevic and Mr. Aybar to travel to South Carolina to attend the hearing in person.

4. The Office of Regulatory Staff and the Applicant have entered into a settlement agreement which resolves all outstanding issues with ORS. There were no other intervenors in the proceeding. The Office of Regulatory Staff has indicated that it does not oppose the use of videoconferencing for the hearing.

WHEREFORE, the Applicant, Convergia, respectfully requests that the Commission issue an Order authorizing the use of videoconferencing to take the testimony of Convergia's two witnesses located in Canada and that the Commission allow the hearing to be held at Garber Reporting Services to accommodate this request.

Respectfully submitted this 3 day of November, 2005.

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## BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA DOCKET NO. 2004-328-C

In Re:	
In the Matter of the Application of Convergia, Inc. for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Provide Intrastate Resold Telecommunications and Data Services and for Alternative Regulation of Its Business Service Offerings	CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE  ) ) )

This is to certify that I, Toni Hawkins, a paralegal with the law firm of Robinson, McFadden & Moore, P.C., have this day caused to be served upon the persons named below the **Motion to Hold Hearing by Videoconference** in the foregoing matter by having a copy of the same hand delivered to:

Mr. Charles Terreni Public Service Commission of South Carolina 101 Executive Center Drive Columbia, SC

Mr. David Butler, Hearing Examiner Public Service Commission of South Carolina 101 Executive Center Drive Columbia, SC

Dated at Columbia, South Carolina this 3<sup>nd</sup> day of November, 2005.

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Dan F. Arnett, Chief of Staff Wendy Cartledge Office of Regulatory Staff Post Office Box 11263 Columbia, SC 29211

Dated at Columbia, South Carolina this 2nd day of November, 2005.

Toni Hawkins